I am with you always

MATTHEW 28:20

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, MI
May 31, 2026 – The Holy Trinity

OUR MISSION
GATHERING TO GROW IN FAITH, LOVE, & SERVICE THROUGH CHRIST

Worship Key
P: Pastor
A: Assisting Ministers
C: Congregation

THE GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, whose compassion endures forever.
C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

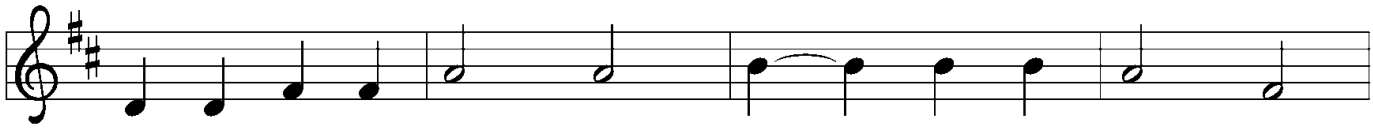
Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,
C: we confess to you all our sins.
Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.
In your mercy, call us back to you.
Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.
Restore us to dwell in your peace.
In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

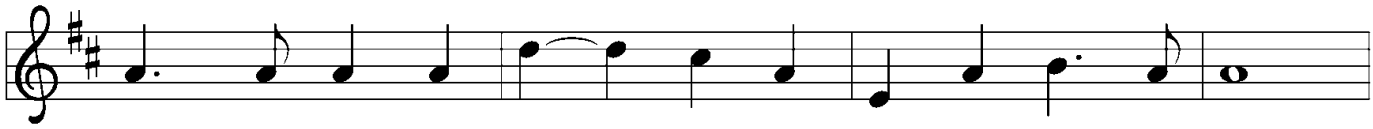
P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.
C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 413

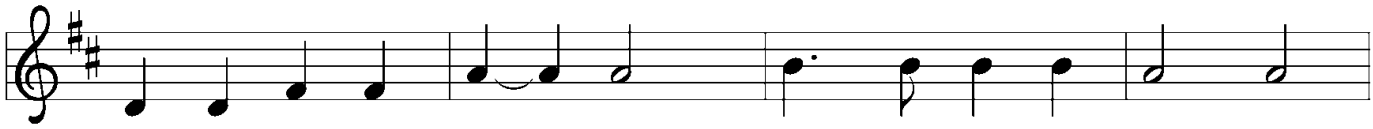
"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"



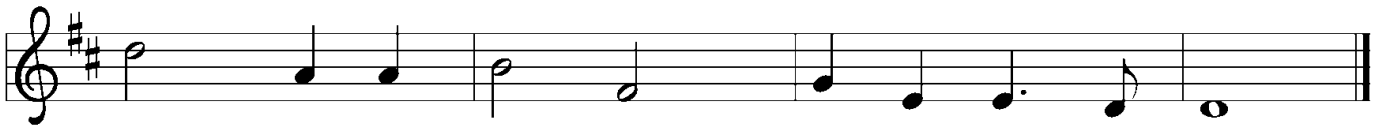
1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!



Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.
Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

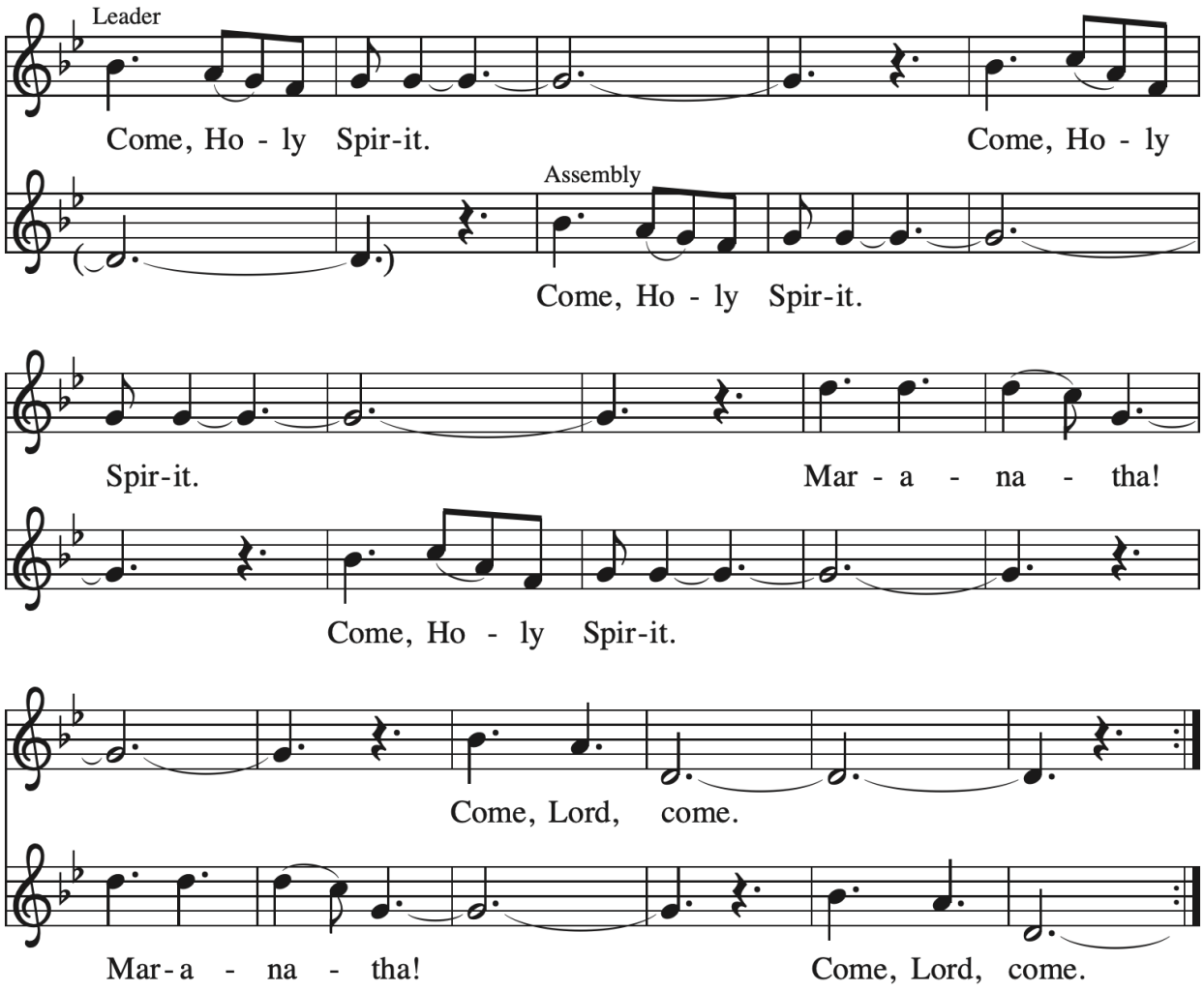
GREETING

P: The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

Come, Holy Spirit



Text: Iona Community
Music: COME, HOLY SPIRIT (IONA), Iona Community
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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING – Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

A: A reading from Genesis.

[1] When God began to create the heavens and the earth, [2] the earth was complete
chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept
over the face of the waters. [3] Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was
light. [4] And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the
darkness. [5] God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there
was evening and there was morning, the first day.

[6] And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it
separate the waters from the waters." [7] So God made the dome and separated the
waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it
was so. [8] God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning,
the second day.

[9] And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one
place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. [10] God called the dry land Earth,
and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was
good. [11] Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed
and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was
so. [12] The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and
trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was
good. [13] And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

[14] And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day
from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and
years, [15] and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth."
And it was so. [16] God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day
and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. [17] God set them in the dome of
the sky to give light upon the earth, [18] to rule over the day and over the night, and
to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. [19] And there
was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

[20] And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let
birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." [21] So God created the great
sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the
waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was
good. [22] God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in
the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." [23] And there was evening and there
was morning, the fifth day.

[24] And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle
and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was
so. [25] God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every
kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that
it was good.

[26] Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness,
and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air
and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every
creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

[27] So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.
[28] God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the
earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds
of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." [29] God said, "See,
I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and
every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. [30] And to every beast
of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth,
everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And
it was so. [31] God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good.
And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

[2:1] Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. [2] On
the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the
seventh day from all the work that he had done. [3] So God blessed the seventh day
and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in
creation.

[4a] These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were
created.

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM – Psalm 8

P: [1] O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
C: [2] you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants
and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies,
to silence the foe and avenger.
P: [3] When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
C: [4] what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?
P: [5] Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.
C: [6] You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:
P: [7] all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,
C: [8] the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.
P: [9] O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

SECOND READING – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

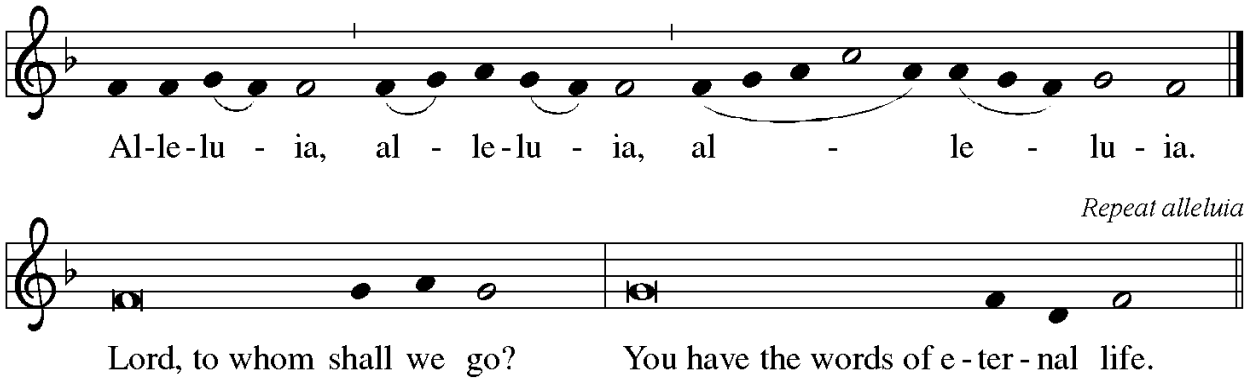
A: A reading from Second Corinthians.

[Paul writes:] [11] Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. [12] Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.
[13] The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL – Matthew 28:16-20

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

P: The Gospel according to Matthew.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had
directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they
doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on
earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy
Spirit 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And
remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME — Rev. Joshua Rinas

A special message for children.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTURE

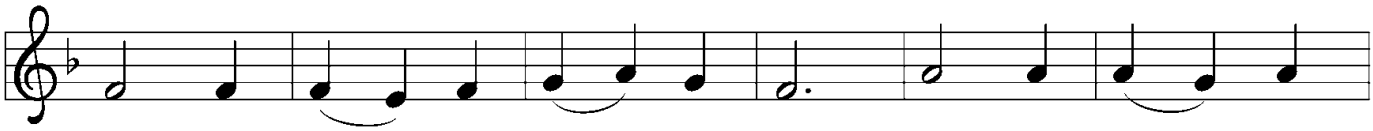
Youngsters leave for the music/activity in the Music/Education room.

SERMON — Rev. Joshua Rinas

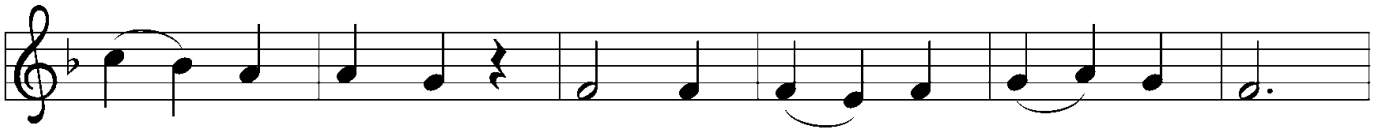
Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 414

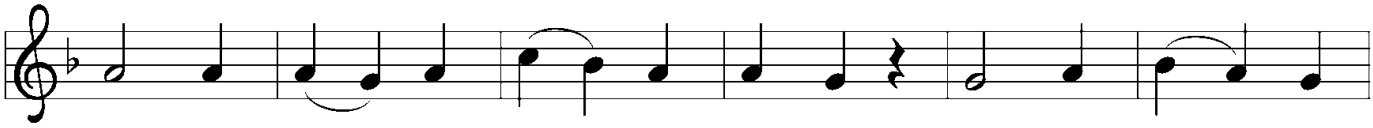
"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"



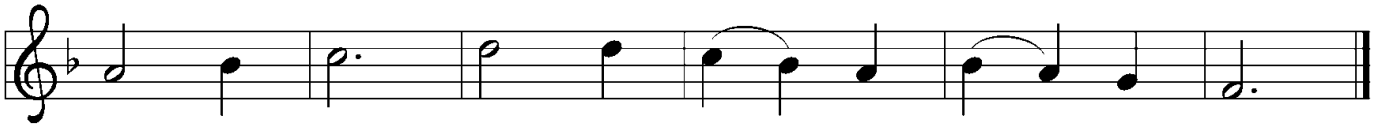
1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
set of sun through the church the song goes on.
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900
Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

CREED

A: Let us confess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Or, "who proceeds from the Father." The phrase "and the Son" is a later addition to the creed.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

A: Holy God, we are in awe of your creative work. Continue that work in your church, making us a new creation that proclaims your presence and love. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

A: Creator God, nature reveals your power and glory. Protect water sources, vegetation, and wildlife as reminders of who you are. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Redeemer God, you call us to pray for those in authority. Guide our leaders to pursue the work of fostering peace and community. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Sustaining God, you are mindful of your people in every circumstance. Heal those who are sick. Provide for all who hunger. Protect those in harm's way. Comfort any experiencing hardship especially John, Bob, Eleanor, Dawn, Cora, John, Ed, Barb, Suzanne, Judy, Winona, Charlie, Jerry, and Carla. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Gracious God, we pray for the children of our church and community. Provide for their needs. Support their caregivers. Nurture their faith. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: For what else does this congregation pray? Prayers may be said aloud, typed into the live chat box, or silently in your hearts…

Brief Pause for the congregation to respond.

A: God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Loving God, we give thanks for those who have died and claimed their baptismal promises. Strengthen us to live as they did in communion with you. God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

A: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
C: Amen.

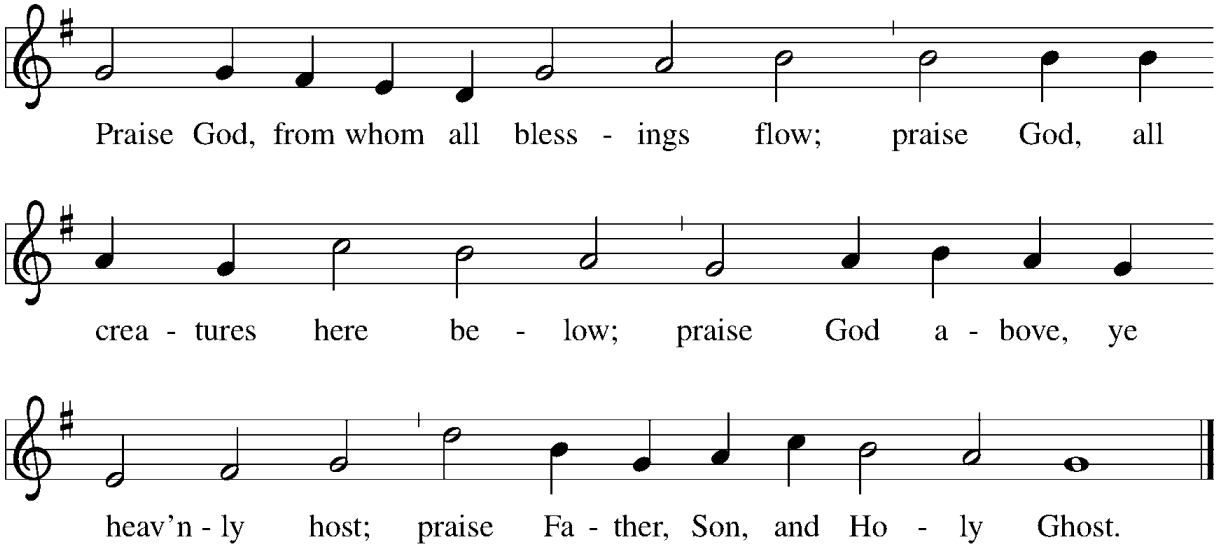
SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: And also with you.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN – *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711, alt.
Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray.

C: Loving God,
we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,
so that all creation can taste your abundance.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.
Amen.

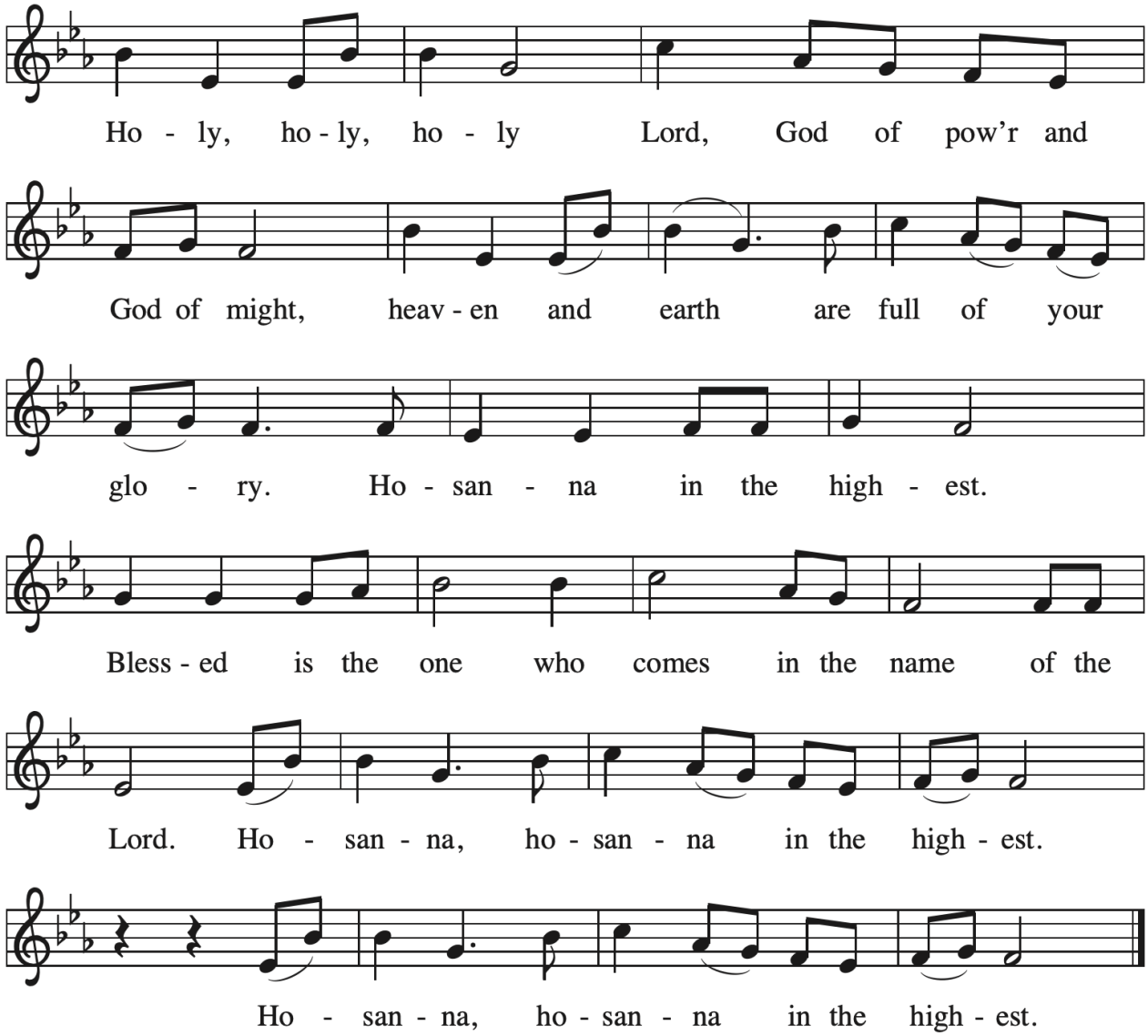
GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them to the Lord.
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, on Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



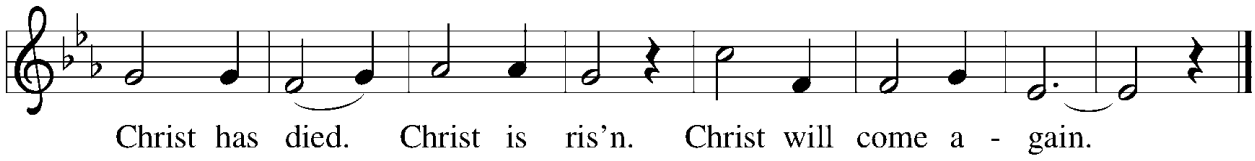
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God, creator of heaven and earth.
You rescued your covenant people, led them on all their journeys,
and taught them by the prophets. You so loved the world
that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish but may have eternal life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

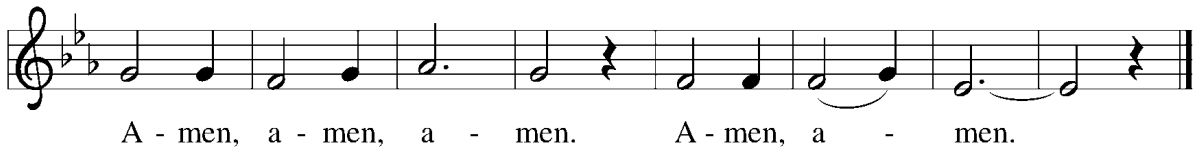
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all
people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.



P: Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal, and make us one in this community of
faith and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God, Author of life, Word made flesh,
Power of the Most High, now and forever.



LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

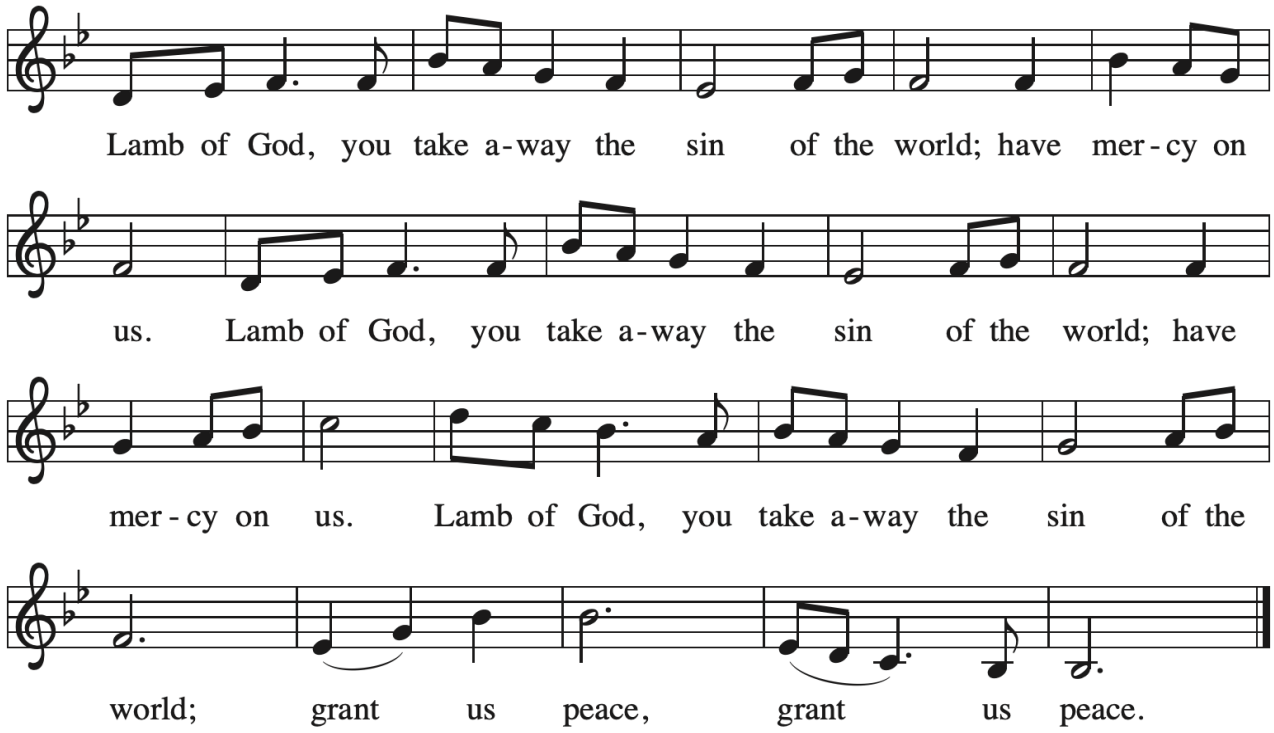
Let us pray together:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast.

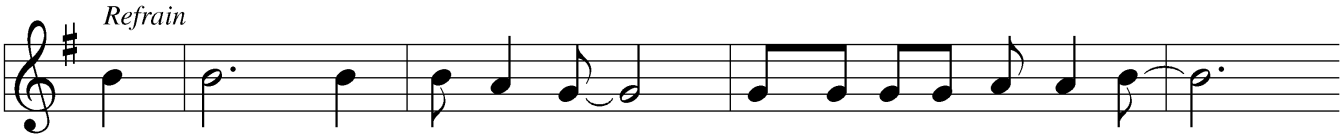
LAMB OF GOD



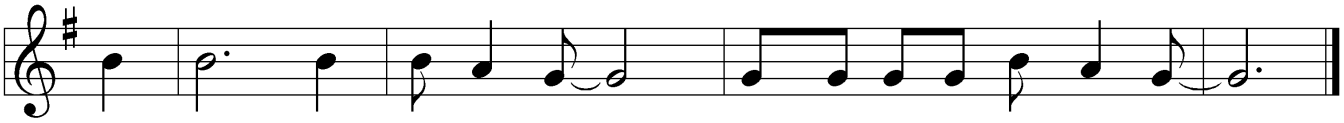
COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN TFBF 240

"It's Me, O Lord"
Standing in the Need of Prayer



It's me, it's me, O Lord, stand-in' in the need of prayer;



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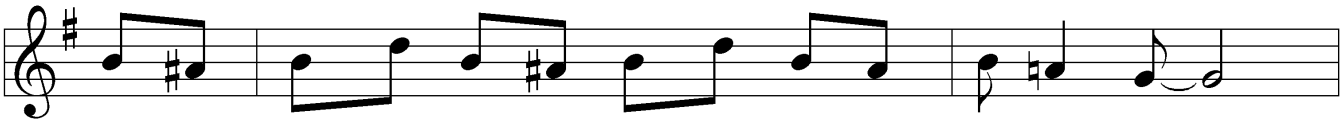
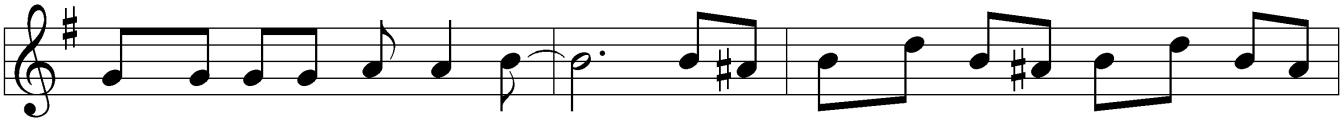


1 Not my broth - er, not my sis - ter, but it's me, O Lord,
2 Not the preach - er, not the dea - con, but it's me, O Lord,
3 Not my fa - ther, not my moth - er, but it's me, O Lord,
4 Not the strang - er, not my neigh - bor, but it's me, O Lord,



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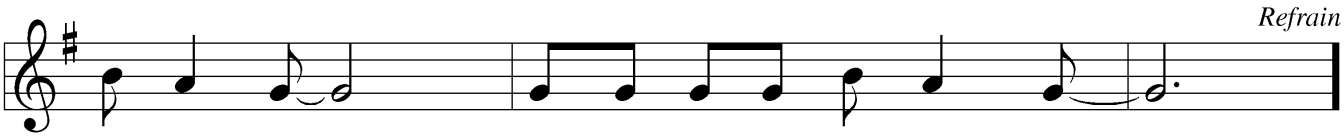
stand-in' in the need of prayer; not the strang - er, not my neigh-bor, but it's



me, O Lord, stand - in' in the need of prayer.
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Text: African American spiritual
Music: STANDING IN THE NEED, African American spiritual

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The assisting minister leads one of the following or a similar prayer after communion.

A: Let us pray.

C: Compassionate God,
through the gifts of bread and wine
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.
We ask this in the name of Jesus,
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

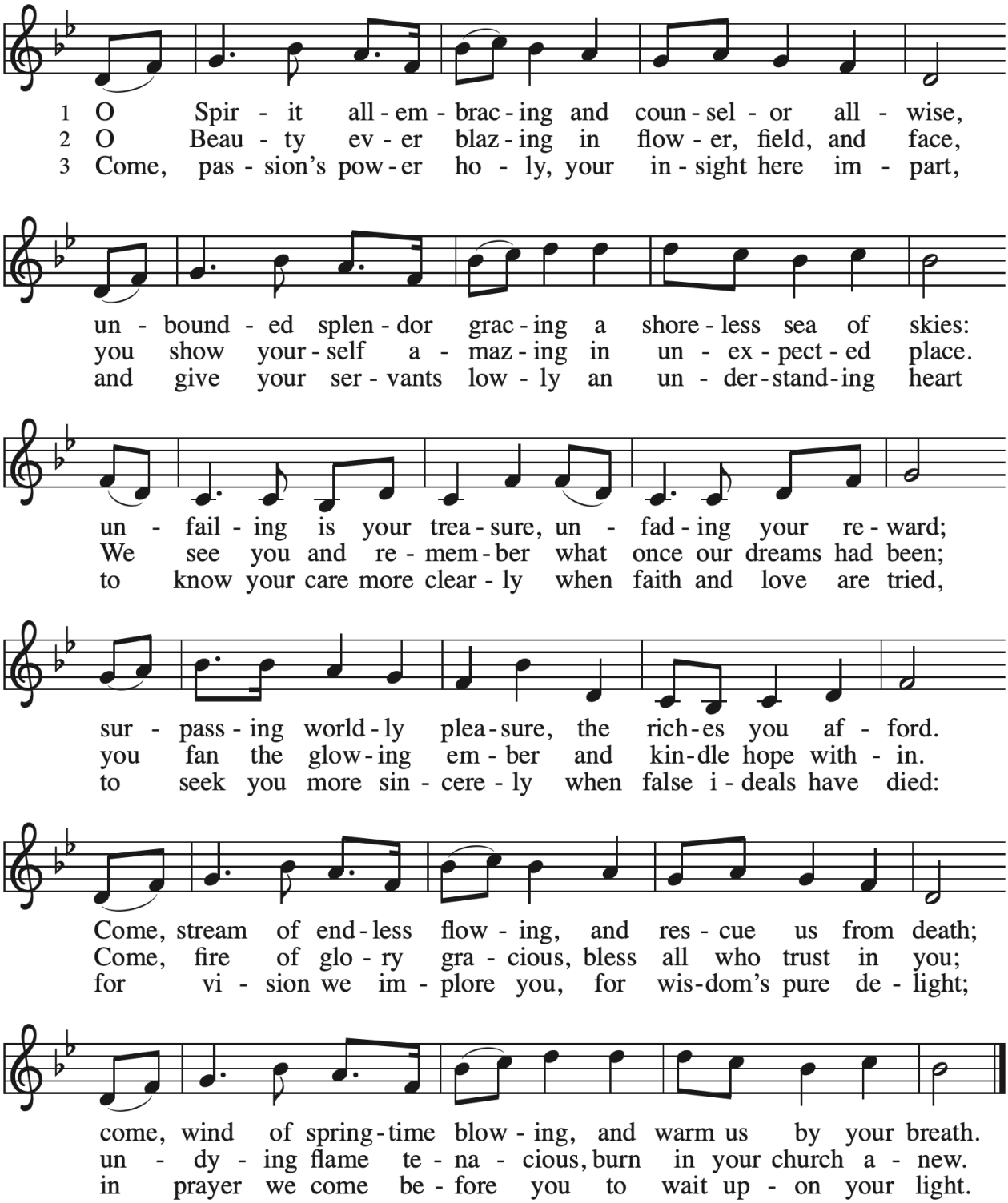
BLESSING

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
☩ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN ACS 944

"O Spirit All-Embracing"



Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939
Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934
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DISMISSAL

A: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news! **C: Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! If this is your first time with us, please add your name and information to our Guest book located in the Narthex (Lobby), we would love to connect with you.

*Hearing assistance devices and cushions are available in the back pew. Please help yourself!
*Children's bulletins available, please see an usher.
*Printed copies of the Newsletter are in the magazine holder in the Narthex.
**Christ in Our Home* devotionals (April - June) can be found in the Narthex.
*Hand Sanitizers can be found in the Narthex and hanging at the end of the pews.

Please remember to wear your Name Tag

It's a help for visitors and folks you may not have seen for a while. If you need a new Name tag, please let Jennifer know.

2026 Directories

If you have not received your 2026 directory, see Linda Wilber during the coffee hour. One copy per household. Thank you.

Financial Progress Report –

Attendance Sunday 5/24/26: 60 (Cool, Confirmation Sunday)

This past week (May 18 – May 24) we received income of: $2,490

Approved 2026 Budget: $301,796 ***Needed Weekly:*** $5,804

For the month of April we had:

- ***Income:**** $28,839
- ***MGF April Chg in value:*** $26,655
- ***Expenses:*** $40,547
- ***April Balance:*** $14,947
  - ***Positive April balance due to:***
    - Income exceeds expenses.
    - Ministry Growth Fund April report included. Positive gains since the end of March.
    - April expense is distorted by yearly payment of liability insurance.

Jan 1st through April 30th, we had:

- ***Income:**** $119,223
- ***MGF YTD Chg in value:*** $17,751
- ***Expenses:*** $115,001
- ***YTD Balance:*** $21,973
  - ***Positive YTD balance due to:***
    - Income exceeds expenses.
    - Ministry Growth Fund April report included. Positive YTD gains.
    - Liability Insurance: Paying a 12 month expense entirely in the 4th month is distorting.

Last year at April 30th, 2025, our YTD balance was $12,807. Thank you for your support.

*Income will not include the change in value of the Ministry Growth Fund investment until after the 15th of the following month. The MFG change in value appears on a separate line because it is neither income or expense and including it in either category is misleading.

Ways to Give: Giving can be done online by clicking here. Or mail checks to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198.

Mobile App: Download the Vanco Payments Mobile app for free from Google Play. In the app, select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation.

The Giving Tree

Starting May 10, the Giving Tree will be accepting donations of bar soap and mega sized rolls of toilet paper. The soap and toilet paper will be distributed to Food Pantry clients. Toilet paper is distributed 1 roll per family at a time, therefore mega rolls are requested. A Thrivent Action Grant will be used to help purchase items! Bring your donations to the Giving Tree in the Gathering area though June 7!

2026 Altar Flower Sign-up

The 2026 Altar flower sign-up is on the bulletin board outside the office. Once you sign-up for your date, put the form and money in the offering plate or office mailbox.

Assisting Ministers Needed!

Sign up on the sheet outside the office or call the office, Or through sign-up genius. Click here or Scan QR code

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

Sunday, May 31 – The Holy Trinity

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – Noon
- Scouts 6:00pm

Tuesday, June 2

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- Food Gatherers delivery

Wednesday, June 3

- Clothes Closet 9:00am – 10:30am
- **Bible Study 12:30pm – 2:00pm**
- Food Pantry 3:00pm – 5:00pm
- AA Meeting 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday, June 4

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- Refresh Committee 10:30am – 12:00pm

Friday, June 5

- NA Meeting 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Sunday, June 7 – Second Sunday after Pentecost

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- Chancel Choir 9:30am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- **Birthday Coffee Hour 11:00am – Noon**
- Scouts 6:00pm

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God.

For those with young children: Emmanuel's "Pray-Ground" is located at the front of the church. We welcome and encourage families with children to use this area; where your children can quietly play with soft toys, books, and do arts and crafts. Please don't worry about noise—worship leaders have microphones!

Prayers requested for: John, Bob, Eleanor, Dawn, Cora, John, Ed, Barb, Suzanne, Judy, Winona, Charlie, Jerry, and Carla.

Links:
Livestream Worship - https://www.youtube.com/@emmanuelypsi
Giving Online - Online donation
Clothes Closet - ClothesCloset@emmanuelypsi.org
Food Pantry - FoodPantry@emmanuelypsi.org

Serving in Worship:
Interim Pastor..... *Rev. Joshua Rinas*
Minister of Worship Music..... *David Meitzler*
Minister of Choral Conducting..... *Jamie Gallupe*
Assisting Minister..... *Wendy Thompson*

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OUR VISION

EMPOWERED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE STRIVE TO MANIFEST CHRIST'S EXAMPLE AS AN INCLUSIVE, VISIBLE, DYNAMIC BODY OF FAITH.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO SERVING THE VULNERABLE AND FOSTERING HOPE.

WE WILL GROW IN ENTHUSIASTIC DISCIPLESHIP AS WE WORSHIP, WELCOME, SERVE, AND STUDY.

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